[IPOPHL MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 17-014, July 10, 2017]

AMENDING FURTHER THE IPOPHL REVISED FEE STRUCTURE OF 2017 (MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 16-012, S. 2016, AS AMENDED BY MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 17-02, S. OF 2017)

WHEREAS, IPOPHL promulgated the IPOPHL Revised Fee Structure of 2017 through IPOPHL Memorandum Circular No. 16-012, s. 2016;

WHEREAS, the IPOPHL Revised Fee Structure of 2017 was amended by Memorandum Circular No. 17-02, s. 2017 to implement corrections, clarifications, and additional fees;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further amend the IPOPHL Revised Fee Structure of 2017 to address concerns regarding payment for on-line transactions and the erroneous or excess payments;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority of the Director General under Sec. 7 of Rep. Act No. 8293, also known as the Intellectual Property Code of the Philippines ("IP Code"), the IPOPHL Revised Fee Structure of 2017, as amended, is further amended, as follows:

SECTION 1. Part I, Section 5 is hereby amended to read, as follows:

"Section 5. Payment of fees. - 5.1 Fees shall be paid in cash, money order, bank drafts, cheques in Philippine currency, and other modes of payment as may be provided or prescribed by the IPOPHL. Payment of fees for all transactions may be done online, offline, or through facilities approved by the Director General."

SECTION 2. Part I, Section 10 is hereby amended to read, as follows:

"Section 10. Legal Research Fund (LRF). — All fees and charges, except charges for domestic photocopy and sequence listings for invention patent, utility model, and industrial design applications in excess of 4,000 pages, shall be subject to the payment of the LRF required by Republic Act 3870 as amended by Presidential Decrees Nos. 200 and 1856, at the rate of one percent (1%) of the fee paid but not less than Ten Pesos (Php 10.00). In this regard, the IPOPHL shall furnish the University of the Philippines Law Center reports on its collection and remittance of the LRF."